

## **MSC Fall Membership Meeting**

**October 7, 2005**

**Yogo Inn, Lewistown Montana**

**Michael Ober** from Flathead College Community College was the acting chair

**Roll:** Belgrade Community Library, Big Horn County, Big Timber Schools, Bitterroot Public, Boulder Community, Bozeman Public, Carnegie Public, Dillon Public, Drummond School/Community, Flathead County, Flathead Valley Community College, Glendive Public (Proxy), Hearst Free, Hellgate School District No 4, Highwood School, Kalispell Regional Medical Center, Laurel Public, Lewistown Public, Madison Valley Public (Proxy), Meagher County/City, Miles City Public, Miles Community College, Missoula Public, Montana Academy (Proxy), Montana Bible College, Montana Dept. of Transportation (Proxy), Montana Legislative Reference Center, Montana State Library, MT Historical Society Library and Archives, Park High School, Plains Library District (Proxy), Polson City Library, Ronan Schools, Rosebud County (Late due to storm), St. Ignatius School-Community, State Law (Proxy), Thompson Falls Schools, Thompson Falls Public, Thompson-Hickman County, Three Forks Community, Twin Bridges Public (Proxy), West Yellowstone Public (Proxy), Whitehall Community.

**No representation:** Clancy Community, Clinton Elementary, Plains School, Sheridan Public.

**Sarah McHugh** was presented with a State Employee of the Year Award.

**Minutes** of the Spring 2005 meeting were approved as presented. Motion Kim Crowley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Jennie Stapp, motioned carried

**New Bylaws** – Bridgett Johnson from Lewistown was thanked for all the work on the bylaws. It is a huge move from a consensus to majority vote. Jennie Stapp appreciated all the comments that were incorporated and that membership had input and feedback. The bylaws guidelines were from “Rules of Order” and were officially prepared correctly.

**VOTE:** Move from a consensus vote to 75% majority, motion by Bridgett Johnson, Lewistown, 2<sup>nd</sup> Alice Meister, Bozeman. A roll call vote was taken with all in favor, motion carried.

**2<sup>nd</sup> VOTE:** To adopt the new bylaws. Motion by Bridgett Johnson, Lewistown, 2<sup>nd</sup>, Gloria Langstaff, Bitterroot. Roll call vote taken with all in favor, motion carried.

**Budget** was presented by Claire Morton from the Missoula Public Library, who is the fiscal agent for MSC. She pointed out that \$4258.00 had been transferred from the contingency fund to increase the salary of the new MSC position, which will help bring new libraries on to the catalog. Jennie Stapp has been hired for that position and will assume the duties in a couple weeks. No questions arose concerning the FY06 budget.

Sarah thanked Claire for the hours she has spent. A member questioned if the budget is audited and Claire explained that it is under the audit of Missoula County.

Mike Ober pointed out that the cash carryover shows that there has been sound management of the budget and that it also shows we are a solvent group.

Kim Crowley, Flathead County made a motion to approve the budget, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marilyn Trosper of Polson. Roll Call vote taken, no descending votes, motion carried.

**Executive Committee:** Sarah thanked the executive committee for all the work they have performed since the inception of the catalog. She introduced the members who would be replaced at this time. Michael Ober representing Academic Libraries from FVCC, Charlene Porsild representing Special Libraries from the Historical Society, Kim Crowley representing Large Public Libraries from Flathead, and Bridgett Johnson a member at large from Lewistown. The new representatives are: (drum roll please) Special Libraries, Sue Sillick, from Montana Department of Transportation, Academic Libraries, Ann Rutherford, Miles Community College, Large Public Libraries, Alice Meister, Bozeman and Member at Large, Lee Phillips, Highwood Schools. Ex-officio members are Mike Price and Sarah McHugh from the State Library and Honore Bray and Claire Morton from the Missoula Public Library as the fiscal agent.

Mike Ober emphasized the fact that executive committee meetings are open meetings and anyone can attend and participate. Claire Morton encouraged members to reach out to the executive committee because they are the representatives of each type library and they represent concerns from the membership.

10:00 Nancy Brennan and Cherrie Heser joined the meeting

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Director Station:** A demo was given by Rick Brannan from SIRSI and Jean Spalla the Western Region Sales Rep from Las Vegas. Everyone is familiar with Rick but Jean was a High School Librarian with a Masters in Library Science from the University of Pittsburg. SirsiDynix is now using a team selling approach.

Director's Station will run on its own server and won't slow the production server or circulation down. It mines data from the system and moves it over to the DS server. New training will be needed if we purchase DS. The pricing is by concurrent users or Enterprise license and for this consortium it would be based on 10 seats. History logs minus patron information is loaded to the server. Use of database information can only be tracked if we use "Single Search" which we do not use at this time or have not purchased.

Quote Price is band 4 – 10 seats and the large server

Nation wide statistics from 500 libraries, NCES Statistics, ranked order tables and global mapping. 2 Dell servers for a one time cost of \$55,590.00. Unlimited seats would be \$100,000. The annual maintenance cost will be \$10,810 with the 10 seats.

Motion: Jennie Stapp moved to authorize the MSC staff to enter into negotiations for DS as presented. The funds for the initial purchase will come from cash carryover and the

cost shall not exceed the quote presented by SIRSI. Gloria Langstaff from Bitterroot 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Roll Call vote was taken, one descending vote, motion carried. The implementation of DS will take a few weeks.

**EPS:** Enterprise Portal Solution was demo'd by Rick also. Bruce explained why this product is of interest to the group and it will replace IBistro soon. Single Search was also talked about but time ran short and the meeting needed to move on. Michael thanked the SIRSI folks for coming.

**OPAC Committee:** Kim Crowley, chair of the committee explained the concerns about IBistro and why the committee was working on resolving the problems people are encountering. The committee met in June for 1.5 days and has suggested some changes that would make IBistro easier for the users. Mike has made the suggested changes on the test server so people can look at the site and see if they like the changes. Kim will send out a document that shows the changes and explains why they were made. Once people see the changes they should respond to the list.

**Consortia Special Interest Group Conference** in Chicago was attended by Sarah. Every consortium has concerns about the same issues and would like them fixed. Some suggestions were:

Data Validation by login, consistent help from the help desk, lender string ability, a broadcast screen in workflows, online help needs to be easy to more complex by login.

New Product replacing workflows is GL3.0 and 3.1. This runs on a JAVA Client and will update more regularly. This new version will do offline load automatically.

**Super Conference:** Claire made a pitch for people to get their names in if they are interested in attending the SIRSI Superconference held in Nashville from March 5-8, 2006. Sarah and Mike will attend and Mike needs to do the API refresher course which is in conjunction with the conference. Let Sarah know if you are interested in attending, the consortium can send four members. Deadline for letting Sarah know is November 30<sup>th</sup>.

**Next meeting:** Missoula, May 2<sup>nd</sup>.

## JOYS

Well organized, new updates, streamlined approach, best thing happened to MT Libraries, Missoula brought old audios to share, if people take them change the owning library and item ID, New libraries, Director Station, Mentors, Understanding more, group growth and excitement, opportunity to work with such a group and the state library, host everyone, having success, seeing the change from the beginning, saw Bette at CDA library and she still plays the kazoo, user friendly group, support from group and partners, HELP when needed, being part of the large group, work done by everyone, group to bounce things off of, one big library and staff, Jennie is on board, No power or hidden agenda, Directors Station, Spending time together, easier reports, continued

appreciation for catalogers, State Library support and the group setting example for other libraries.

#### CONCERNS

Getting up to speed on cataloging, Ibistro, Printing spine labels, Cat. Learning curve, Software load, Better ILL through the cat. Modules, added workload, members have concerns they don't voice, behind from being gone, training and retraining for staff and patrons, still need to bar code, time and money, hope the new product will be faster, special libraries getting pushed off to the side, single search,.

Meeting adjourned at 3:45